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HITTING BOTTLE AND BOTTLE HITTING HIM MADE HIS MIND A BLANK, DECLARES M'GRAW

Unable to Recall What Happened After He Was Struck at the Lambs' Club.

TALKS TO PROSECUTOR.

Says He Was Irritated When Agent Tried to Sell Him Insurance—Has Discolored Eye.

John J. McGraw, manager of the New York Giants, consented this afternoon to receive a delegation from the Police Department and the office of District Attorney Swann, who desired to confer with him as to the events of last Saturday night and Sunday morning. They wanted to find what McGraw knew about the fracturing of the skull, the knocking out of the teeth and the spitting of the lip of John C. Slavin, who was found unconscious in front of McGraw's house after riding uptown in a taxicab from the Lambs Club with McGraw and former Commander Winfield Leggett of the Navy.

So far as Assistant District Attorney Unger and Detectives Lovv and Fitzgerald could learn McGraw knows nothing of what happened to Slavin. He said so himself.

"My mind is a blank," said the manager and magnate, "as to what happened from the time when an actor named Boyd hit me on the head with a water bottle last Saturday night at the Lambs, until I woke up in bed here at home Monday morning."

"In fact," McGraw said with a weary smile, "one might say that between my hitting the bottle and a bottle hitting me I couldn't remember a thing."

GIANTS' MANAGER DID NOT KNOW WHAT HIT HIM.

McGraw said he drank several quarts of whiskey at the Lambs Club during the evening of the fight. He did not know at the moment he lost his memory what had hit him, he explained, but said club friends had told him since it was a heavy glass carafe.

McGraw asserted he had made no effort to communicate with Slavin or Leggett since last Monday morning but that he had sent for Meaghan the taxicab driver, in order to pay his bill for the cab ride.

Before McGraw was questioned by Unger he was examined by Dr. F. A. McGuire, the physician of the Tomba under the supervision of McGraw's own physician, Dr. William F. Bender, who is the official surgeon of the Giants, and who had assured District Attorney Swann yesterday

CLOTHING PRICES STILL SOARING; UP 21.7 P. C. HERE

Increase in Last 6 Months in Most Large Cities—Raw Material Lower.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—CLOTHING prices increased more than 15 per cent. in principal cities between December and June, a Labor Department investigation just completed showed to-day. Raw wool and cotton prices went down while finished clothing prices were going up.

Men's clothing prices soared more than those of women's garments in the first six months of this year in Chicago, Detroit, Denver and Philadelphia. The increases from December to June were:

New York, 21.7 per cent.; Detroit, 27 per cent.; Philadelphia, 29.3 per cent.; Seattle, 19.4 per cent.; Denver, 14.7 per cent.; Scranton, Pa., 15.6 per cent.; Boston, 13.7 per cent., and Baltimore, 13 per cent.

GRIFFIN IS VICTOR IN NEWPORT TENNIS

Defeats Johnston, National Champion—Score is 6-3, 4-6, 2-6, 6-4.

NEWPORT, R. I., Aug. 14.—Clarence J. Griffin of California defeated National Champion William M. Johnston in the final match of the singles play in the Casino tennis tournament to-day. The score was 6-3, 4-6, 2-6, 6-4.

The double cup remains in the East, however, as a result of the victory yesterday of R. Norris Williams 2d and Richard Harte, of Boston, over Johnston and Griffin.

It required five sets to decide the victory, Johnston taking the second and third and twice in the final set coming within a point of taking the match. His back-hand failed him both times.

BUYS JERSEY FARM THEN ENDS HIS LIFE

Adolph Meyer Pays \$200 to Bind Bargain—Dogs Lead to Body and Pistol.

(Special to The Evening World.)
HAMDEN, N. J., Aug. 14.—The body of Adolph Meyer, with a bullet through his head, was found to-day in the orchard of a farm for whose purchase he arranged yesterday, paying a deposit of \$200 to bind the bargain. The farm is near German and adjoins one on which Harry Grauman lives. It was Grauman who received the deposit. The price to be paid eventually was \$7,000. Meyer said he intended to bring his family from Florida and live on the farm.

Grauman heard the buying of his house, unleashed them and they led him to the body. A revolver lay near it. There was no evidence to connect Meyer with the case.

JAPAN REPLIES TO U. S. NOTE.

Explains Its Policy in Siberia at Length, It Is Reported.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—Japan's reply to the American note protesting against Japanese occupation of the northern part of the Island of Saghalien was received to-day at the State Department.

The note was described as lengthy and it was understood that it goes thoroughly into the whole question of the Japanese policy in Siberia.

The document together with the original American note may be made public next week.

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BIG GUNS HEARD IN WARSAW AS RUSSIANS CLOSE IN

Envoys Meet This Afternoon to Negotiate Terms of Armistice and Peace.

OUTLOOK IS HOPEFUL.

Polish Premier Reported to Have Gone to Posen—Cabinet May Follow.

WARSAW, Aug. 14 (Associated Press).—The roar of artillery on the battle front can be plainly heard in Warsaw. The Russians have brought up artillery in the region of Radoszyn, just south of the Bug.

Observers say, however, that the enemy has not yet in position guns heavy enough to reach this city with their fire.

The Russians have worked well toward the rear of Warsaw's defenses, according to Friday night's official Polish communiqué, available early to-day.

The statement says the enemy is advancing toward the Nowolipie-Zegre sector, north of Warsaw, and that masses of Bolsheviki are attacking Nasielsk (twenty-two miles northwest of Warsaw) and Pionek (sixteen miles west of Nasielsk and about thirty-two miles northwest of Warsaw).

The communiqué announces that the preliminary attacks upon these places were repulsed by the Poles.

LONDON, Aug. 14.—Word has been received here that the Polish and Soviet envoys will meet this afternoon to consider the question of an armistice. While there have been no definite advances as to the outlook, the feeling here is distinctly more hopeful.

Four of the Polish delegates are military officers, six, Foreign Office representatives, counselors and advisors and six Diet leaders. M. Domb-ski, Under Minister of Foreign Affairs, heads the delegation, and among the members are M. Wroblewski, Under Secretary at the Foreign Office; M. Ogiwalski, a Counselor; Gen. Kulinski, Major Stankowski.

Two representatives of the American relief organization, Herschel Walker of Philadelphia and Maurice Walker of Philadelphia and Maurice Walker of Philadelphia, have received permission from Moscow to accompany the Polish Commission to Minsk to confer with Bolshevik authorities regarding the treating of 300,000 children formerly cared for by the Americans, but now within the Bolshevik lines.

The greatest fear for the settle-

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LIGHTNING KILLS HERO WOUNDED 22 TIMES IN WAR

Bolt Tears Off Shoes and Rim From the Hat of Paterson Athlete.

Richard J. Foran, of No. 397 McBride Avenue, Paterson, N. J., was killed by lightning last night while standing under a tree near his home. The lightning marked his forehead with a scar, as well as his right thigh and his right leg from the knee to the ankle, tore off the rim of his hat, both his shoes and his trousers from his hip.

Two companions, Ray Stonebrink and Joseph Burke, had been standing under the tree with Foran, but had started across the street just before the lightning struck. Foran, who was a prominent athlete, served in the war with the 369th Machine Gun Battalion and was wounded twenty-two times. He leaves a mother, three sisters, two of whom are sisters of charity, and two brothers.

HUDSON TUBES FORBIDDEN BY COMMERCE COMMISSION TO CHARGE AN 8-CENT FARE

Company Ordered to Suspend Schedule on Uptown and Downtown Traffic.

WAS TO BEGIN AUG. 31.

Present Rates Are Found Ample and Further Proceedings Must Be Discontinued.

WASHINGTON, Aug. 14.—The Interstate Commerce Commission to-day ordered the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad Company to suspend its schedule requiring a flat eight-cent fare on both uptown and downtown traffic.

Deciding the application of the Hudson and Manhattan Railroad for a flat eight-cent fare the Commission said the present interstate local passenger fare of six cents between Jersey City and Hoboken and Hudson Terminal station, New York, and of ten cents between Jersey City and Hoboken and stations on the line in New York, from Christopher Street to Thirty-third Street were justified, and the proposed fare of eight cents was found not to be justified.

The road is required to cancel the proposed eight cent tariff on or before Aug. 31 and further proceedings are ordered discontinued.

GOT DRINK TO CAP AUTO SALE BARGAIN

And Then Shevin Men Arrested Three Charged With Violating Dry Law.

James Sheridan who runs a saloon at No. 461 Amsterdam Avenue, and J. Miers and Martin Lane, who have a saloon at No. 600 Columbus Avenue, are under arrest to-day charged with violating dry laws, as a result, it is alleged of a comedy enacted by "Iszy" Einstein, Moe Smith and Harry Wittenberg of Prohibition Enforcement Agent Shevin's staff.

Entering the saloons in turn Einstein and the others claim they pretended they were consuming the sale of an automobile and demanded a drink to cap the bargain as a check was made out ostensibly in payment for the car. Arrests followed the alleged serving of drinks.

WALKER REJECTS PLEA OF WILSON

Speaker of Tennessee House Refuses to "Surrender" to the Suffragists.

NASHVILLE, Tenn., Aug. 14.—Seth M. Walker, Speaker of the House of Representatives, to-day telegraphed President Wilson that the men of Tennessee will not "surrender" honest convictions for political expediency.

Walker's message to the President was in reply to one which urged that the House concur in the action of the Senate and ratify the Federal Suffrage Amendment.

AHEARN IS REINSTATED.

Illinois Athlete Had Been Dropped From Olympic Team.

ANTWERP, Aug. 14.—The reinstatement of Dan Ahearn of the Illinois A. C. displaced yesterday from the American Olympic Team on charges of insubordination, was announced this noon. Ahearn apologized this morning in the presence of both the American committee. They accepted his apology and he was restored to his former position on the team, closing the incident.

SILENT BURGLARS GET \$40,000 HAUL FROM JEWEL SAFE

Metzer Home at Asbury Park Latest of Coast Mansions to Suffer.

WIFE SAVES NECKLACE.

Secretes \$7,500 Trinket by Hiding It Behind Picture On Wall.

Jewelry, estimated to be worth \$40,000 was stolen last night from the home of Samuel Metzer, an official of the Guggenheim Corporation, at Asbury Park, N. J., presumably by the gang of thieves which has been operating in the homes of the wealthy along the coast. The family was out at the time and the servants say that they heard nothing unusual during their absence.

The jewelry was in a safe in Mr. Metzer's bedroom, and the safe was opened by the combination. Before going out Mrs. Metzer had taken two necklaces to her own room, one of which she put behind a picture on the wall. This was worth \$7,500 and was overlooked by the robbers. A number of bonds and stocks in the safe were untouched.

Among the jewelry taken were a platinum dinner ring with three large diamonds, a gold mesh bag, frame set with diamonds and sapphires; diamond and platinum bracelet watch, jewel studded opera glasses, three pearl shirt studs, diamond and sapphire scarfpin, diamond and platinum ring, platinum and gold watch chain, gold and platinum cigar case, turquoise and diamond scarfpin and several other scarfpins, diamond and sapphire cuff buttons.

D'ANNUNZIO NAMES WARREN AS AGENT

New York Architect to Represent Fiume Government in This Country.

Announcement of the appointment of Whitney Warren, Architect of New York and Boston, as the official representative in America of Capt. Gabriele D'Annunzio and the government of Fiume, was made here to-day upon receipt of a cablegram from Paris. The message read:

"Commandant D'Annunzio and National Council appoint you official representative of Fiume in America. Your credentials forwarded by courier."

Mr. Warren, who has spent many years in Europe, has been a conspicuous defender of Italy's aspirations in the Adriatic.

Longshoremen to Meet Steamship Owners on Monday.

The committee of longshoremen, headed by Joseph P. Ryan, International Vice President, which was to meet with steamship owners to-day, have postponed their meeting till Monday for the reason that many of the owners are out of town. At a meeting last night in St. Veronica's Hall, Barrow and Washington Streets, the striking coastwise longshoremen voted to return to work provided that the owners would get rid of the strike-breakers who took their places.

CLERK INHERITS SEARLES FORTUNE OF \$50,000,000

Mystery in Bequest of Man, Who Started As Paperhanger, to Office Worker.

KIN MAY FIGHT WILL.

A. T. Walker, the Heir, Declines to Discuss Possible Contest of Estate.

The heir to the fortune of Edward F. Searles, philanthropist, estimated at more than \$50,000,000, Arthur T. Walker, for many years the millionaire's secretary and manager in his New York offices at No. 71 Broadway, refused to-day to enter any discussion of a possible contest of the will.

"Mr. Walker is too busy to do any talking about himself" was the only reply which could be drawn from the clerks there. "He is preparing to go out of town."

Walker lives in a two-room apartment at No. 25 Pierrepont Street, Brooklyn. There is not even a card on the door of the flat, showing who lives in it. A colored maid cares for the rooms.

"Mr. Walker is given to attending to his own business and I'm going to attend to mine," she said when asked about her employer's new fortune. So true is this description of him that men representing Wall Street interests have for years known Walker only as a colorless clerk whose name was not worth noting.

"Mr. Walker likes neat," said the colored maid, "but that is all I know about him."

"Is he a married man?" was asked. "How does it know whether he's a married man?" was the reply. "He might be married and then again he mightn't. How does it know whether Mr. Walker is married or not? Mr. Walker doesn't know whether I'm married; he minds his own business and you can just bet I mind mine."

"But you take care of his two rooms," was asked. "Did you ever see a woman around?"

"No; I never set eyes on a woman in Mr. Walker's apartment, but that don't prove he ain't married," summed up the maid, as she undid a large red handkerchief which bound her head, "and all I can say is I wouldn't want Mr. Walker talking about my domestic affairs and I ain't agoin' to talk about him whether he has any or not."

Walker has been in the employ of Searles for fifteen years. For most of that time he has been the link between Searles and the New York office. He is about forty-five years old, has mixed gray hair and is somewhat heavy set and slow moving. The other employees had no intimation and

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EJECTED PASSENGER LOSES.

Supreme Court Holds Yankers Two-Fare Ordinance Legal.

Passengers in Yankers street cars can expect to be ejected with the approval of the Supreme Court if they do not pay the second fare on the Broadway line at McLean Avenue. Justice Sutherland in White Plains to-day exonerated the Yankers Railroad Company for ejecting Henry Koster of Yankers in June, 1915, for refusing to pay a second fare at that time.

Koster sued to recover \$1,999.95 alleged damages. He contended the ordinance passed by the Yankers Common Council, allowing a second fare outside the city limits, was illegal because it did not have the requisite three-fourths majority. Justice Sutherland ruled that the ordinance came within the second class city law, which requires only a majority.

FEDERAL AND STATE OFFICIALS AT ODDS OVER PONZI CASE; SCANDAL INVOLVES POLICE

Large Sums Taken In by "Wizard" Believed to Have Been Deposited in Names of Wife and His Agents—Boston Politicians Profited by His Deals.

(Special From a Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)

BOSTON, Mass., Aug. 14.—Federal Auditor Edwin L. Pride announced to-day he would seize any Ponzi money that might be "concealed" in the name of agents or of his wife and use it for the benefit of creditors. At the same time a representative of State Banking Commissioner Allen visited the Hanover Trust Company and sealed every safety deposit box which might contain any Ponzi cash or valuables.

It is feared the little "wizard" has a great store of cash hidden for his use after he has finished his prison term and officials are bending every effort to locate it.

WIFE OF "WIZARD" TO WHOM HE HAS GIVEN VAST SUMS



MRS. CHARLES PONZI.
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LATEST DALY BABY HEIR TO MILLIONS

Born To-day in Sanitarium Little Chap Is In Line for Copper King Fortune.

A son was born to-day to Mr. and Mrs. Marcus Daly Jr. at the Radium Sanitarium, No. 203 West 70th Street. The youngster is the presumptive heir to the great fortune of Marcus Daly Sr., the Montana copper millionaire.

The Dalys live at No. 1067 Fifth Avenue. Mrs. Daly's maiden name was Miss Lela von Harrenreich. She was formerly the wife of Capt. W. Harry Young, U. S. A.; they were divorced. She is a sister-in-law of former Ambassador to Germany James W. Gerard.

She Picks Baked Apples After a Storm.

SOUTH NORWALK, Conn., Aug. 14.—Freshly baked apples were served for breakfast yesterday from a tree owned by Mrs. Annie E. Byrnes of this city. The tree, heavily laden with early greenings, was struck by lightning during the night and the fruit thoroughly cooked.

Trieste Council Breaks With D'Annunzio.

TRIESTE, Aug. 14.—An open break has occurred between the National Council of Fiume and Gabriele D'Annunzio, the soldier-poet, whose insurgent troops have been in possession of the city for nearly a year past.

Ponzi has acknowledged that he never had an accurate idea of his assets or liabilities because he kept no books. His sole records were card indexes, inaccurately kept by inexperienced girls in his office.

A feud has developed between Federal and State authorities as to who shall possess all the books of Ponzi and the expelled Old Colony Foreign Exchange Company. United States District Attorney Gallagher said he would call Banking Commissioner Allen before a Grand Jury and assure from him by legal procedure what information he needs.

Auditor Pride has refused to state the exact amount of money transferred to Mrs. Ponzi's name by her husband, but it is known to be large.

"This money can be taken away from Mrs. Ponzi, and will be," said Mr. Pride.

It is likely a special session of the Suffolk County Grand Jury will be called to dispose of the Ponzi case. More than 500 angry note holders of the Old Colony Foreign Exchange Company clamored to-day at its doors, No. 33 Oliver Street, and at its former office, No. 54 Devonshire Street, for the return of their cash, but in vain. Many of them were severely wounded veterans who had put their all into the concern. Squads of police cleared them away with reluctance.

More than 1,000 Ponzi note holders besieged the State House this morning, and when the doors opened at nine o'clock they made a mad rush for Attorney General Allen's office, where the notes are being collected to determine the "wizard's" liabilities. Many believed they would be given their money back, but were bitterly disappointed.

PONZI FEELS SAFER IN CELL

NO. 13.

Satisfied that he is safe from an attack on his life by any of the deluded investors who trusted promises of miraculous Robin Hood booty to be extorted from the Money Trust, Charles Ponzi remained to-day in cell No. 13 in the East Cambridge Jail. At Ponzi's own request he was returned to the United States Marshal's custody last night by his bondsman, Morris Rodnick.

The fright of the wizard is not based so much upon definite threats he has received as upon his knowledge of the vengeful and desperate dispositions of some of those who flocked around him attracted by the luring offer of big money accumulating in vast quantities.

His fears may have had in view the possibilities growing out of the intimacy which exists between such men and the politicians.

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